

Remarks

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5/4, 6/2 or 4, and 8/2 or 4 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by Fargo '317. Claims 3, 5/3,6/3, 7 and 8/3 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but have been found to be otherwise allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Responsive to the rejection and objection, Applicants have amended claim 1 to include therein the limitations of claim 3 and intervening claim 2. Claims 2-4 have been cancelled. Claims 5 and 6 have been amended to be dependent on amended claim 1.

The subject matter of allowable claim 7, including the subject matter of intermediate claim 2, has been recast as new independent claim 9. The subject matter of claims 3 or 4, representing original further limitations to claim 7, have been recast as new claims 10 and 11, dependent on new claim 9.

Lastly, dependent claim 8 has been amended to be dependent on amended claim 1.

As all remaining claims define patentable subject matter as indicated by the Examiner, withdrawal of the rejections and objections is solicited. The Examiner's rejection to claim 2 on grammatical grounds has been attended to in the incorporation of the language of claim 2 into claim 1.

Passage to allowance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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